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GODORT FEDERAL DOCUMENTS CATALOGING AND CLASSIFICATION WORK GROUP

The Federal Documents Cataloging and Classification Work Group meeting was called to order on January 21 by group leader LeRoy C. Schwarzkopf, University of Maryland Documents Librarian. The major item on the agenda was the review of the Government Printing Office reply to a GODORT letter of February 5, 1973, questioning and suggesting reviews and possible changes of several GPO procedures, including revision or implementation of the Depository Library Act. The chief concern was with the listing and distribution of documents to the depository libraries. In response to the query on following up to insure maximum coverage in the *Monthly Catalog* listings GPO replied that they do have a form letter they use to solicit documents produced by non-reporting Government agencies. A proposal was made to prepare a statement to the Public Printer that the GPO budget include funds to add one staff member who would be assigned to identify and obtain non-GPO titles for listing.

Another aspect of the letter expressed concern over the duplication of entries in the GPO *Monthly Catalog* and NTIS listings. Bernadine Hoduski noted that the prospect of having titles listed in one or the other was unlikely because there were two different audiences for these publications. The general consensus of those in attendance was that it was better to have the entry appear twice than not to appear at all. If a title were listed in only one source, both would have to be checked each time a library wanted a particular title.

GPO distributed a questionnaire to give current depositories an opportunity to indicate whether they want to receive future material on microfiche or in standard printed format. The questionaire apparently does not provide for libraries to indicate they would like to receive both. GPO reported that everything will continue to be issued in paper until it is ready to start distributing the microform. The work group members suggested that it would be helpful if those libraries which want both hard copy and fiche could receive one copy as a depository item and purchase the alternate format.

After discussing several other points raised by the letter, a resolution expressing GODORT concern and recommending that GPO request additional appropriations to implement the law was proposed. Because of a lack of time to discuss the remaining points of the letter, however, the resolution was withdrawn; it was subsequently passed at the GODORT membership meeting.

The discussion then shifted to the cataloging of documents once they were received in libraries. Concerning the availability of Library of Congress cataloging data, Bernadine Hoduski reported that LC assigns a card number only to those documents which are actually going to be cataloged. Technical reports are not generally included and users have to reply on GPO and NTIS for those listings.

It was stated that it would be easier for the librarians using LC cataloging to retrieve Government documents if the name of the agency rather than an author named on the title page were used as the main entry. When an agency is named, it is frequently a smaller subdivision that appears, not the parent agency, which makes it more difficult to locate the material. If the agency is not given as the main entry, several participants felt that it should at least be listed as an added entry along with the specific office or subdivision.

Concerning the use of GPO cataloging by the Library of Congress, Mr. Schwarzkopf pointed out that LC should do the more significant items but that GPO should list all titles produced. It was stated that it is impractical for the Library to use the GPO cataloging data to produce the information appearing on LC cards.

William Gosling gave a brief report on the CIP Program, emphasizing the expansion of the program in fiscal 1974 to include Federal Government documents on a selected basis.

The meeting adjourned after discussing plans for the next meeting of the work group.

[*William A. Gosling*]

AAP/RTSD JOINT COMMITTEE

After a greeting from the cochairman, Hendrik Edelman, the January 21 meeting of the committee quickly got down to business with a progress report on the Library of Congress Cataloging in Publication Program. Program Manager William A. Gosling noted

that between 60 and 80 percent of the total 1973 U.S. trade books have been cataloged under the program; this percentage represents nearly 15,000 titles for 525 publishing firms. With funding in fiscal 1974 under the Library's regular appropriation, the CIP Program has been expanded to include selected Federal Government documents. A request was made to the committee by Mr. Gosling for a survey of library usage of the CIP data appearing in titles now being sold to libraries, emphasizing that there is an urgent need for this information to aid the Library in its development of the program. The committee agreed to support this request and to recommend it to the RTSD board for their consideration.

It was also announced that a regional Institute on CIP for Librarians had been scheduled for March 20 at the Rutgers University Graduate School of Library Science. The program will be moderated by Mary V. Gaver, Bro-Dart, who is a member of the CIP Advisory Committee. It is intended primarily for librarians in New Jersey, and available to others on a space available basis. Similar programs will be sent up for other States or regions of the country depending on the reaction to the model session being held in New Jersey.

Robert C. Sullivan, Chief of the Library of Congress Order Division, gave a brief report on the progress made in designing a Standard Order Form. He noted that the original work group of the U.S. National Libraries Task Force on cooperative activities which had planned to devise a standard order form has been disbanded because the enlarged scope of the effort is now being carried out by ANSI Z39 Subcommittee 36, chaired by Jennifer Magnus, Library of Congress. The Subcommittee is focusing more on identifying the location of data elements rather than the development of a single standard order form.

Carol Nemeyer, AAP, reported that the ANSI Z39 Subcommittee 30 Standard Account Number, chaired by Russell Reynolds, National Association of College Stores, Inc., was progressing rapidly. Mrs. Nemeyer distributed a memorandum on The Utility of the Standard Account Numbers which covered the highlights of the development to date of this numbering system and its potential usage.

Robert Frase, private consultant, accepted an invitation from Mr. Edelman to help formulate a research proposal on developing a study plan on the current and potential library use of ISBN's. In accepting the invitation, Mr. Frase noted that he would confine the proposal, in presenting it to a funding organization, to the narrower use of ISBN's in the acquisition process. He anticipates a six-month study to examine the potential library use of the ISBN's in acquisition processes.

A lengthy discussion of the coming Annual Conference touched on plans being made by Carol Nemeyer, Michael Bruer, Shirley Sarris, and John Dill for tours of the book trades for librarians attending the conference. It was agreed that Mrs. Nemeyer should make final arrangements with those firms involved and prepare the schedule of tours that would be available.

Alfred Lane, Columbia University, reported progress on the seminar on Paperbacks: Acquisition, Distribution and Use to be held Monday, July 8, from 2-6 p.m. The meeting is co-sponsored by the Joint Committee and the Bookdealer/Library Relations Committee of ALA's Resources Section.

Elizabeth Geiser, R. R. Bowker Co., then welcomed comments from the committee members and guests on the potential publication of *Books in Print* on microfiche as well as in hardcover. Bowker is considering the production of the microfiche edition if there is sufficient interest.

The meeting drew to a close with discussion of new programs which the committee could undertake and a discussion of preliminary plans for the 1975 ALA Annual Conference in San Francisco. A program topic which drew unanimous support was tentatively titled Book Selection Mechanisms and Decision-Making: How These Affect Librarians and Publishers. The committee agreed that such a conference would strike a practical note if it focused on publicity, reviews, bibliographic needs, marketing, and promotion. [*William A. Gosling*]

RTSD SERIALS SECTION DISCUSSION GROUP FOR LARGE RESEARCH LIBRARIES

The meeting was called to order by the chairman, Susan Brynteson, University of Massachusetts, who then queried the participants to ascertain the professional interests and responsibilities of those present. There were representatives from the areas of acquisitions, cataloging, automation, and networks, but the majority of individuals were active in administration.

Gale Peterson, representing the Organization of American Historians, announced a planned revised edition of Winifred Gregory's *American Newspapers, 1821-1936.* Among the changes being considered are updating the coverage to the present as well as including some retroactive listings before 1821. Indications of need for and interest in the project were requested from the membership.

Peggy Fischer of the R. R. Bowker Co. described the data base for the *New Serial Titles, 1950-70* cumulation, indicating the potential uses of the data, such as providing additional listings arranged by the Dewey Decimal Classification, by LC subject headings, and by institutional holdings. Comments and suggestions on what is needed in these areas by the profession were solicited from those present.

A major item on the agenda was a review and discussion of serials activities at the national and international level. Larry Livingston, Council on Library Resources, presented a paper entitled *A Composite Effort to Build an On-line National Serials Data Base.* (This paper appeared in the LC *Information Bulletin* of February 1, pp. A-35-A-38.) Richard Anable of York University, Toronto, chairman of the Ad Hoc Discussion Group on Serials Data Bases, gave a report on the activities of this group. This group came into existence as the result of an informal meeting of 25 individuals representing 19 institutions held last June because of the several mutual concerns—the problems in conversion of large machine-readable bibliographic files of serials, the present lack of communication among the generators of such files, and the incompatability of format and bibliographic content among existing files. The primary interest of the group, and a major concern of Mr. Livingston, is the establishment of mechanisms for the creation and utilization of a set of "agreed upon practices" in the building of serials data bases as well as the cooperative conversion of a comprehensive retrospective bibliographic data base of serials.

As a result of the Ad Hoc Discussion Group's concern over standardization and national/international compatability in the construction of an international union file of serial bibliographic records, it was announced that its Working Communications Subcommittee resolved to advocate the adoption of two changes to the *Anglo-American Cataloging Rules:* to drop Rule 162B, thus providing for transcribing a title as it appears on the publication, and to amend the rules of entry for serials (Rule 6) to specify main entry under title. It was noted that these recommended changes would provide for compatability with international standards and conventions of the International Serials Data System and the International Standard Bibliographic Description for Serials. The implications of these proposed changes for nearly all existing systems of serials control in this country and Canada, whether manual or computerized, were discussed at length. The concern that any future action taken upon these proposed changes be extensively communicated to the library community is reflected in the following resolution which was passed by the group: "Resolved that the concern of the ALA/RTSD Serials Section Discussion Group for Large Research Libraries regarding the dissemination of information to the greater library community about a change in AACR Rule 162B and a possible change in AACR Rule 6 as expressed in its meeting of January 21, 1974, be forwarded to the RTSD/CCS Descriptive Cataloging Committee." [*Mary Sauer*]

MICROPUBLISHING PROJECTS COMMITTEE

The Micropublishing Projects Committee (MPC) met on Monday, January 21, and again on Thursday, January 24, with extensive agenda before it. Harvey Marron addressed the first meeting with a report on the National Institute of Education (NIE) decision to allow the successful bidder on the ERIC Microfiche Contract to use any film the contractor found suitable. Upon hearing this news from NIE, the committee expressed its concern and voiced opinions that ongoing work of the ANSI Special Task Group on Vesicular and Diazo Film, chaired by Peter Z. Adelstein, Eastman Kodak Co., be completed so that librarians can understand all the particulars of Vesicular and Diazo films.

The New York Times-MCA-Kalvar problem saw the glimmer of a resolution as rumors spread concerning an announcement about possible film replacement of purchases of the *Times* on Kalvar film. UPDATA, a new company started to fill a vacuum in the microform industry, considers itself a single source for all microform needs; MPC will be asked to provide a clarification of some of the claims made in the introduction of UPDATA's catalog, *Microform*, Vol. 1.

The second meeting of the committee opened with an update about the Library of American Civilization (LAC), micropublished by Library Resources Incorporated (LRI), an Encyclopaedia Britannica subsidiary. The committee agree to publicize correspondence between LRI and MPC designed to answer questions about the LAC package.

Committee members discussed methods of computing statistics for reporting microform holdings and reference to ANSI, ALA, and HEW methods resulted in the assignment of three members from MPC to work with other ALA committees concerned with this problem. Representives of the Microelection Publishing Corp. reviewed new developments in that company. The GPO Micropublishing Project was reported to be contemplating a micropublishing survey to depository libraries to find out if they wanted

Federal documents in microform. It is hoped that the information collected from the survey will provide enough interest to encourage the Public Printer to ask the Joint Committee on Printing for permission to conduct a pilot program. Once the pilot program is completed, the Public Printer will decide whether to recommend a broader program or forget about publishing in microform. MPC will be kept informed of the progress of this pilot project by the Superintendent of Documents.

The Government Documents Roundtable asked the committee for assistance in its effort to have meaningful imput in the GPO Micropublishing Project Program. Observers at the meeting, particularly those from industry, commented on the need to keep open the lines of communication between micropublishers and the ALA-RTSD Micropublishing Committee.

Members of the committee are Lawrence S. Robinson, Chairman, Norman H. Dudley, Judy H. Fair, Secretary, Al Diaz, Murray S. Martin, Fred Lynden, Carl Spaulding, John P. Baker, and Victor Marx; consultants are Adelaide B. Lockhart, Norman J. Shaffer, and Francis F. Spreitzer. [*Lawrence S. Robinson*]

AHIL BOARD MEETINGS

The major concerns of the January 21-23 meetings of the Association of Hospital and Institution Libraries (AHIL) were reports on existing projects and the pressing current problems of ALA and their implications for the new Health and Rehabilitation Library Services Division, to be established at the end of the Annual Conference when the memberships of AHIL and RTLSB are combined.

The first meeting opened with an urgent request for board members to react to the newly stated goals and objectives of ALA. An immediate comment was that handicapped persons needed to be emphasized in the ALA goals so as to keep this group in the forefront of the thinking of all librarians. The consensus was that the goals provide an adequate framework for HRLSD.

The planned ALA dues change caused much discussion and concern. It was reported that in the last three years, one-third of ALA's endowment has been expended, and if the present rate of expenditures is not halted, ALA could cease to exist by 1976 for lack of funds. Divisions must operate on the assumption that they will have no more money to operate on than is currently available. They will not only have to justify their existence but be self-supporting. This means initiating a tremendous membership drive for the new division.

The Hospital and Institutions Group of IFLA will meet in Washington, D.C., on November 17. Grace Lyons, Head of the D.C. Regional Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped and local chairwoman of the group, is planning general program meetings on the retarded and on bibliotherapy. The IFLA group has expressed interest in visiting two hospitals and in seeing a display of reading aids. IFLA is planning to publish an international directory of reading aids.

The AHIL Bibliotherapy Committee has been reconstituted. It will be involved in developing a research project on bibliotherapy which will consist of three modules: one designed to explain bibliotherapy; one designed as a training module for those wishing to work in the area; and the main part of the project, a research design module.

The long awaited *Reading Aids* list, in preparation for three years, will probably be ready for publication in November. An annotated list of drug films will be released by the Audio-Visual Committee at the ALA Annual Conference. [*Mona Werner*]

LIBRARY SERVICES TO THE BLIND ROUNDTABLE

The roundtable met on January 22. Following the acceptance of the minutes of the previous meeting and the tabling of the treasurer's report until it could be printed in *News and Views*, Executive Secretary Ira Phillips reported on the work of the AHIL/LSBRT Joint Bylaws Committee. The bylaws had been revamped to reflect the changes made in the statement of purpose by the Committee on Organization, and will be sent to the ALA Bylaws Committee for approval. Then the members will have the opportunity to vote on the bylaws by mail ballot. This will bring the new Health and Rehabilitation Library Services Division one step closer to official recognition.

Reports from the various committees indicated that the planned merger of the AHIL/LSBRT memberships to form the new division should be a smooth transition. [*Mona Werner*]

THE LIBRARY COMMITTEE OF THE PRESIDENT'S COMMITTEE ON EMPLOYMENT OF THE HANDICAPPED

A two-year action plan submitted to the Library Committee by the parent PCEH served as the basis for discussion and planning at the committee's meeting on January 22.

The plan consists of a statement of objectives and a suggested course of action. The committee's objectives are to encourage the profession to serve the

handicapped as an educational, community information, and vocational information resource as well as an employer; to encourage continued production by the publishing industry of large print and recorded formats for the handicapped; and to aid in informing the community of the capabilities of handicapped individuals.

The suggested course of action for realizing the objectives is many-faceted, ranging from surveys in conjunction with other agencies and groups to the promotion of library courses that include information on serving the handicapped. The discussion generated by the plan was both lively and creative.

[*Mona Werner*]

AD HOC COMMITTEE ON EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY IN LIBRARIES

The Ad Hoc Equal Employment Opportunity Committee fulfilled its charge and presented to Council on Friday, January 25, a policy statement which would update and subsume previous ALA policies on discrimination in employment. The main change in the statement suggested and approved by Council was the creation of an Office for Library Personnel Resources Advisory Committee on Equal Employment Opportunity instead of a Standing Council Committee as proposed in the original Section IV.

The approved statement of policy appears here; the sections of commentary have been omitted.

ALA EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY POLICY

I. Whereas: The American Library Association, through its organized resources and membership support, is committed to a policy of equality of opportunity for all library employees, or applicants for employment, regardless of race, color, creed, sex, age, individual life style (viz., manner and mode of attire, sexual preference, political persuasion) or national origin. This policy of employment equality logically begins with recruitment to the occupation of librarianship.

II. Whereas: The Association not only supports the efforts of member libraries and library schools to seek full compliance with all governmental policies against discriminatory practices but also through the approval and promulgation of this policy focuses attention on the positive responsibility of members, both personal and institutional members, to comply with such legislation and to set institutional goals and time tables which will actively eliminate employment discrimination in libraries.

III. Be It Resolved That:

(1) The Council of the Association directs the Executive Director of ALA to have all Association activities, policies and programs reviewed in order to assure that fair and equal practices are followed.

(2) The Council urges the Association's investigatory body to be prepared to respond speedily and investigate thoroughly alleged employment discrimination on the basis of race, color, creed, sex, age, individual life style, or national origin from any individual or group of individuals employed in or seeking employment in libraries and to impose sanctions on libraries which are in violation of the law and this policy.

(3) The Association commits itself to continuing efforts for the improvement and implementation of essential legislation prohibiting discrimination.

IV. Be It Further Resolved That: To achieve the goal of equal employment opportunity for all library employees and applicants for employment, the Council of the Association:

(1) directs that the Advisory Committee to the Office for Library Personnel Resources shall with the staff of the Office establish guidelines for the prevention of all forms of employment discrimination in libraries as prohibited by this policy, making these guidelines available through the appropriate division to libraries, boards of library trustees, staff association, civil service groups, library employee unions and individuals who are already employed or are seeking employment in libraries.

(2) directs the Office for Library Personnel Resources to begin immediately an aggressive program of instruction on legal employment requirements and the procedure for meeting such requirements.

(3) directs that all libraries and library schools with fifteen or more staff members shall formulate written affirmative action plans and shall submit these plans to the Office for Library Personnel Resources which will publish a list of the member libraries submitting affirmative action plans pursuant to this policy. The Office for Library Personnel Resources in cooperation with the Advisory Committee will review these plans in order to ascertain compliance with appropriate federal equal employment guidelines.

The members of the committee for 1972-73 were Alice Ihrig, E. J. Josey, David Kaser, Elizabeth Martinez-Smith, Patricia Hines, and Barbara Manchak, Chairwoman; for 1973-74; John Armendariz, E. J. Josey, David Kaser, Elizabeth Martinez-Smith, Anita Schiller, Patricia Hines, and Barbara Manchak, Chairwoman. [*Patricia S. Hines*]

COUNCIL III

When President Lowrie convened the third session of Council at 8 a.m. on Friday, the assembly faced a sizable agenda of 18 items, including most of the agenda scheduled for the Council II session. The work on the COPES and AASL dues schedules motions as well as the SCMAI report regarding the University of Chicago remained as important items. Miss Lowrie received Council assent to limit debate where necessary in order to expedite the business before it.

As floor discussion of the merits of the COPES and AASL dues schedules continued, Mr. Chait was asked to refresh Council as to the relative merits of the two dues schedules. Further floor comments indicated continuing concern that acceptance of the COPES schedule would effectively reorganize ALA by putting divisions on a self-supporting basis. There were strongly presented views in favor of the AASL schedule for its recruiting value and the recent success AASL had demonstrated in doubling its membership. Mr. Chait reiterated his concern, however, that the ability to retain special introductory memberships on a continuing basis was untested and too risky a path for ALA to pursue in its present fiscal crisis. Motions to shut off debate, to further amend, and refer to COPES for further study were defeated in course of the first hour of Council III. It was made clear that further delay would make implementation of any change in the dues structure impossible to implement before 1976. The COPES presentation and floor discussion of both schedules indicated that a great deal of serious work had been done in preparing and articulating a course of action on the personal dues schedule. Finally, at 9:30 a.m., the question was successfully called and Council voted to accept the COPES schedule, which calls for a flat $35 general membership fee for regular members and a $15 per division fee. The Council then referred the newly accepted schedule to the Constitution and Bylaws Committee whose members were ready to meet and return to Council that morning with revised bylaws for Council vote. The next step would be a mail vote by the membership in the spring.

A motion was immediately made that COPES be directed to submit to the Executive Board a balanced budget for 1974-75 and that endowment capital funds be excluded from such a budget. Floor comment indicated that it might be too much to attempt in *one* fiscal year and would mean disastrous reduction in ALA activities and available funds. Council voted the motion down, but Miss Lowrie immediately gave assurances that a fiscally responsible budget would be pursued, thanking Council for its deep concern.

Following Council adoption of the Guidelines for Preparing Resolutions and Bullman Letter, President-elect Holley assumed the chair, introducing Barbara Manchak, chairwoman of the Ad Hoc Committee on Equal Employment Opportunity in Libraries. Miss Manchak outlined the background and the essence of the report indicating that the Ad Hoc Committee was charged at the 1972 Midwinter Meeting to provide a policy statement and update the subsume earlier policies. The committee's report is given in full on page A-77.

Mr. Holley commented that the Executive Board had heard and approved submission of the report to Council. The board was not clear on the fiscal implications, which were later seriously questioned in floor discussion. Following a motion to accept the report, floor discussion focused on the possible conflict of the recommended standing committee with the existing Advisory Committee to the Office for Library Personnel Resources. A motion to amend the report to assign the functions of the standing committee to the existing advisory committee was made. Further discussion of the added cost of implementing the policy occurred in addition to concern that the expertise of the ad hoc committee might be lost. The chairman of the Advisory Committee to the Office for Library Personnel Resources, Grace P. Slocum, assured the Council that the members of the ad hoc committee would be involved in the ongoing efforts to implement the policy. The amendment and the report itself were adopted.

At that point there was further discussion of the priority in which agenda items should be considered. One motion, which was rejected, asked "to refer all future proposals having organizational implications" to the Committee on Organization (COO) before sending them to Council and that "COO make recommendations at the time such proposals are presented."

In the absence of the Executive Director, Ruth Frame presented the SCMAI report on the University of Chicago, which responded to Council's directive at the last Annual Conference for "a full and complete investigation of the University of Chicago Library's personnel procedures." Following a rather general review of the investigation, the report indicated that "SCMAI . . . decided to take no action on the complaints against the University pending a final determination of the National Labor Relations Board at which time the complaints will be reviewed in order

to determine appropriate action." Floor discussion of a motion to accept the report began with a suggestion that SCMAI reinvestigate the University of Chicago, to which Mrs. Frame replied that the timing was improper and that SCMAI should wait for completion of litigation. Three non-Council speakers requested an opportunity to address the Council; their request was disapproved by a vote of 80 to 36. A substitute motion requiring SCMAI to conduct a full investigation and report to Council at the Annual Conference was voted down before Council finally voted to accept the report.

A motion was then presented to Council requesting that the Library of Congress report on affirmative action be printed in *American Libraries* only after the SCMAI report on the Library of Congress is printed in the LC *Information Bulletin;* it was defeated by a substantial vote. [Editor's Note: The SCMAI report was printed in the LC *Information Bulletin* of March 8 as part of the report on the Council II meeting.]

Miss Lowrie juggled the agenda again to schedule the report of the Space Needs Committee next because an outside expert was present to answer any questions on the report. Two Councilors rose to object to an outside speaker on space needs when outsider speakers on the University of Chicago matter had been excluded. As no motion was presented, Keith Doms, chairman of the committee, presented a report on the conclusion of negotiations and entrance into a contract with Collaborative Development, Ltd., which will permit the development of ALA's real estate on Chicago's near north side. "In simplest terms, ALA will receive four and 2/3 floors of totally debt-free, new, completed office space in an entirely new office building, which will be erected on a part of ALA's vacant land. . . . ALA will also have long term options to purchase an additional four floors of office space on terms which are regarded as advantageous."

Next, a motion to change the order of the agenda brought the Constitution and Bylaws Committee report for ratification of amendments in the dues structure of the bylaws. The committee report was accepted by Council and will be submitted to the membership for final ratification by a mail vote between May 1 and June 10. Simply, regular members would now pay a flat $35 annually and a $15 additional fee for each divisional membership. "All dues paid by personal members for membership in divisions shall be put to the credit of the division."

In the interest of expediting business the following items were adopted as a package–that the ALA Scholarship Program be renamed the David H. Clift Scholarship Program, and that the American Library Association express appreciation to the U.S. Congress for its strong support of library legislation over the years, thank Vice-President Ford and Members of Congress, Sen. Pell, Rep. Brademas, and Rep. Hechler, for their sponsorship of the proposed White House Conference on Library and Information Services, and urge final enactment early in the 2d Session of the 93rd Congress of legislation calling for a White House Conference on Library and Information Services in 1976. Council also approved several items from the Committee on Organization (COO) report–Item I (the dismissal of the LTP Advisory Committee), Item II (that the LAD Buildings and Equipment Section Executive Committee be authorized to serve in an advisory capacity to *Library Technology Reports*), Item III (that the Association of American Publishers/RASD Joint Committee be dismissed), Item VII (that Council instruct the Constitution and Bylaws Committee to bring the bylaws into conformity with the provisions of Article IX, Sec. 3.a.), and Item VIII (a statement outlining criteria for use in evaluating ALA relationships with other national and international organizations).

Council also recommended that ALA send to the Archivist of the United States a letter expressing concern that the library of the Superintendent of Documents, which was transferred to the National Archives in 1972, has not been fully processed to make it available to the public for research. Council adopted the Intellectual Freedom Committee resolution that the ALA deplores the action of the Government of the U.S.S.R. denying Alexander I. Solzhenitsyn the free exercise of his full rights of citizenship; the committee's resolution that the ALA expresses distress with the censorship of *Novas Cartas Portuguesas* (New Portuguese Letters), and concern for Maria Isabel Barreno, Maria Terasa Horta, and Maria Velho da Costa, and that the ALA urges the United Nations Human Rights Commission to give all possible consideration to the petition of the International Feminist Planning Conference; and that the ALA vigorously condemns the widescale burning of books by the military government of Chile as a violation of the fundamental rights of the people of Chile.

The report of the ALA Committee on Standards followed. A major concern was expressed for preserving the authority of divisions to establish standards within their own areas. A motion was made to refer the report to the Constitution and Bylaws Committee to study possible violations of bylaws provisions

which give divisions the authority to act for the ALA as a whole on matters determined by the Council to be the responsibility of the division. The role of the Committee on Standards in the preparation of divisional standards appeared to be the issue at hand.

After a year of reevaluation of all ALA awards in terms of their relevancy to the Association's purposes, goals, and current priorities, the ALA Committee offered in its report to Council several alternative courses of action to guide the committee in the future. The report concluded with a recommendation that Council choose the first alternative, which would reaffirm the present charge of the committee. Other alternatives called for decentralization of responsibility for financing and administering unit awards, limiting the scope of awards to recognition of achievement of *librarians*, and the restriction of the number of awards to two per ALA unit. The second alternative was adopted with a substitute motion recommending that special consideration be given to substituting scholarship awards for awards no longer serving a useful purpose; it also called for separation of all unit awards from ALA general awards with each unit bearing complete responsibility for costs, programs, administration, and recommendations for the discontinuance or creation of awards through the Awards Committee to Council.

A proposal to allow each division president to serve as an *ex officio* councilor of ALA to provide more effective representation of divisional interests in Council deliberations was defeated.

A recommendation by the ALA Elections Committee that a Council seat be left vacant until the next election if a candidate withdraws during an election between the mailing of the ballots and the new term of office was accepted by Council.

Item IV of the COO report relating to revision of the AFL-CIO/ALA Joint Committee on Library Service to Labor Groups (RASD) statement of responsibility was approved by Council. Item V relating to an increase in membership of the ALA Committee on Accreditation was withdrawn by COO and the committee for fiscal reasons. Item VI recommending that a three-member Council Committee on Credentials be established to administer a policy of removal for Executive Board members and Councilors failing to attend meetings regularly was not accepted. The rest of the COO report was referred to the committee to become an item of new business.

Following a successful quorum call, Kathleen Molz reported on the Intellectual Freedom Committee's work, discussing reasons for not supporting a resolution before Council calling for the impeachment of the President; she noted that the wording of the resolution was believed to be inaccurate and, more important, that it did not fall within the purview of an organization whose sole purpose is educational. A member of Council raised an objection that the resolution was not appropriate for consideration. Council sustained the objection by a vote of 60 to 20. The resolution was not considered.

The third National Library Week Evaluation Committee submitted its report and was dismissed by Council. The implementation of its recommendations was referred to the Executive Director. The recommendations call for ALA to "enter the last quarter of the 20th century with a responsible, responsive public relations department capable of describing what role librarians and libraries do play and can play in the life of our nation . . . that there should be full involvement of ALA staff and membership in this enlarged public relations activity . . . [and] that the National Book Committee be recognized and thanked for their sponsorship of NLW through the years . . . and be invited to continue to provide such aid as they can in the future . . . ."

Council adopted a resolution calling for "ALA to urge the Superintendent of Documents to ask for appropriations for additional personnel and resources in order to add new agencies to the program" of securing and distributing publications printed outside GPO to selected depositories.

At this point the tellers for the Executive Board Election reported that the newly elected members for the 1974-1978 term were Rebecca T. Bingham of the Louisville Public Schools and Alphonse F. Trezza of the Illinois State Library.

The Executive Director sent his regrets that he could not deliver his report, which will be mailed to Council. Council expressed its regrets and concern for his illness.

The Deputy Executive Director announced the names of nominees for Council received by petition and indicated that there had been 2,838 registrations at the Midwinter Meeting and $12,000 received during the meeting in new or renewed memberships.

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